MEMORANDUM FROM THE INTERNAL AUDITOR

TO: Larry Klein, Colonel Bryan Carter

Cc: Audit Committee

FROM: Jenna Skop, Internal Auditor

DATE: October 6, 2016

RE: Narcotics Disposal

In accordance with the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Annual Audit Plan, I participated in the Police Department's narcotics disposal process with Evidence Technicians Dawn Bayless and Angie Keller on October 6, 2016.

My involvement consisted of verifying that all narcotics transferred from the evidence packages to the destruction container were destroyed in the Kenton County Animal Services incinerator. The Evidence Technicians were responsible for the actual destruction of the narcotics and updating the property disposition section of the Evidence Management System.

On October 6, 2016, the Covington Police Department destroyed 227 individual packages of narcotics and narcotics paraphernalia. These packages represent evidence for 116 criminal cases from 2013 through 2016 that have been released for destruction.

Having an independent verification of the narcotics disposal process significantly strengthens the controls of the process and should protect Police Department personnel from potential fabricated complaints with respect to this high risk activity.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

